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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (August 23-31, 2007)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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23/08/2007: Patrick, ON4HIL is currently active as 4S7HIG from Taj Exotica Hotel, Bentota, Sri Lanka (AS-003, WLOTA LH-0762) until August 26th on 80-10 metre SSB, holiday style operation. Rig: IC-7000, Expert 1K PA, AV18-VS vertical. QSL via home call. [UBA HF News]

23/08/2007: Vange, BD7KLO will activate Pingtan [aka Haitan] Island (BY5, AS-138) from August 23-26th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

23/08/2007: Alfons, DJ8VC, will in Namibia between August 23rd and September 8th. He plans to be active as V5/DJ8VC. Activity will be on 160-10 metres on CW/SSB. Alfons will be using Martin's, V51W, radio shack and has the choice between wires, a rhombic and several yagi antennas. Look for him to join other V5 operators on September 1-2nd and be active as V55V/p in the IARU Region 1 SSB Field Day Contest. Alfons also plans to take part in the WAE SSB Contest (September 8-9th) at the end of his operation. QSL cards for V5/DJ8VC and V55V/p (ONLY for this Field Day) will be confirmed by Alfons after his return home. [OPDX]

24/08/2007: Giuseppe, IK5WWA will spend a holiday on Solta island (EU-016, ACIA IC-656, CIA-51, IOCA CI-126, MIA MC-389, WLOTA LH-2833), from August 24th to September 2nd. He plans to be active as 9A/IK5WWA from there and from some of islands west of Solta island. His activities will be on all HF (not on 160m) with dipole and vertical antenna. QSL via home call. [9A6AA]

24/08/2007: The Granville ARC, (West Normandy, Manche Department), will conduct a IOTA DXpedition to Tombelaine Island (EU-156, MA-021 for the French Metropolitan Islands Award - DIFM), a rock located in front of the Mont Saint Michel, from 1800z August 24th to around 1200z August 26th. They will use the call sign F5KAQ/p on all bands, using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F5RJM, either French REF Bureau or direct (SAE + postage) to: Denis Villemin, 4 Le Flaquet, F50470 Tollevast (France). [F5NQL]

24/08/2007: Operators Yuri/RV6LO, Constantin/RK6LP, Alex/RZ6MM, Vlad/RZ6LF, Yuri/RW6LE and Nikolai/RW6LC will be active August 24-26th as homecall/p from RDA District RO-62 (Ust'-Donetsky), Rostovskaya oblast (RO). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [RX3RC]

24/08/2007: Jack, KC9KVU/p will activate Rock Island (Not IOTA, USi WI-014L, Door County), Wisconsin, between August 24th and 26th. Activity will be on 80-10 metres (3.850 7.250, 14.250, 21.350 and 28.450 MHz). QSL via home call. [USi]

24/08/2007: Mike, RV3ECW will be active August 24-25th as RV3ECW/3/m and /6/m from Districts (RDA): VR-01, VR-03, VR-28, VR-15, VR-18; RO-18, RO-45, RO-17, RO-41, RO-10; KR-42, KR-30, KR-37; AD-08, AD-07; and KR-16, KR-58. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Information about the Russian Districts Award can be found at: rdaward.org/indexeng.htm [RX3RC]

24/08/2007: Jorgen/SM3CXS, Classe/SM3GSK, Staffan/SM3JGG, Sten/SM3NXS and Anders/SM3XGV will activate Grimskar Island (EU-176) between 1700z August 24th and 1200z August 26th. They will be using the call signs SD3N and SG3U on 80-10 metres, using CW and SSB. QSL SD3N via SM3NXS; QSL SG3U via SM3CXS, bureau preferred (see QRZ.com). [SM3CXS]

25/08/2007: Operators Juan/EA2RC, Javier/EA3AGB, Miguel/EA3CHZ, Joan/EA3ESZ, Jordi/EA3FKX, John/EA3GHZ, Lou/EA3NM, Juan/EA5EOR, Joaquin/EB3GGU and Jose/EC7AKV will be QRV August 25-26th as EG3MED from Meda Grande Island (EU-078, E-001 for the Spanish Islands Award, MIA MS-007).

They will also activate the Islas Medas lighthouse (ARLHS SPA-161, TWLHD WLH EA-012, WLOTA LH-0793, WW Loc. JN12OB). They plan to run with 2 complete stations and operate on all bands, SSB and CW. The team will use 3 tranceivers with a Yagi, dipoles and verticals. The QSL manager is EA3GM via bureau or direct. A special QSL card will be printed. [F5NQL]

25/08/2007: Fabio, IK8HJC will be active as ID9/IK8HJC from Vulcano Island (EU-017, IIA ME-018, MIA MI-122, WLOTA LH-1001) from August 25th to September 1st. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

25/08/2007: Alexey UA6JCC will be active August 25-26th as UA6JCC/p from RDA Districts SO-05 (Alagirsky) and SO-11 (Pravoberezhny), Republic of Northern Ossetia (SO). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RX3RC]

25/08/2007: Fred/UA9CUA and Yuri/UA9CP will be active August 25-26th as homecall/p from RDA Districts SV-10,12,13,18,26,30,31,36,43,50,62 (Sverdlovskaya oblast). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Information on the Russian Districts Award can be found at: rdaward.org/indexeng.htm [RX3RC]

25/08/2007: Members of the Tri-County Amateur Radio Club WC5C will activate Pelican Island (USi TX050, WW Loc. EM12FV, Tarrant County), Eagle Mountain Lake, Texas, on August 25th (1000z-2200z) using the special call sign W5P. Look for activity on the usual island frequencies. QSL via WC5C (QRZ.com). [USi]

26/08/2007: Stefan, DF8HS will activate Sams? Island (EU-172, JY-008 for the Danish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-0726), August 26th to September 8th. Activity is planned for all bands using SSB, PSK-31 and RTTY. QSL via home call. [RSGB IOTA]

26/08/2007: Ric, DL2VFR will be signing OZ/DL2VFR from Roemoe Island (EU-125, NS-001 for the Danish Islands Award) between August 26th and September 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands, mostly CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

26/08/2007: Rich, PA0RRS will be active as YB9/PA0RRS from Bali Island (OC-022, LH-2589) from August 26th to September 24th. Most activity will be on 40-10 metres, but Rich will also give 80 and 6 metres a try. QSL via home call. Rich reports that on 4 April he started processing and mailing out the cards for his recent activity as 9M2MRS. [425 DX News]

27/08/2007: Look for Marcel, DJ5MS to be QRV August 27-29th as homecall/p from Helgoland-Duene (EU-127, N-14 for the German Islands Award, WLOTA LH-0518). Activity will be SSB only, running 100W and GP. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

27/08/2007: Jeff, VA3QSL will be camping at Chincoteague Island (NA-083, USi VA002S, WW Loc. FM27HW, Accomack County), Virginia, between August 27-31st and will be activating this island and Assateague Island (NA-139, USi VA024S, WW Loc. FM27HW, Accomack County), Virginia. Activity will be on IOTA frequencies on a random/vacation mode basis. He will use the call VA3QSL/W4 and QSL is to home call, direct or bureau. [VA3QSL]

27/08/2007: The Association of Radio amateurs of Venezuela, are organizing an IOTA DXpedition to Las Aves de Sotavento Archipelago (SA-051), August 27-31st (weather dependent), to celebrate the 2007 Venezuelan Navy Day. The call sign will be YW5AS. Transmissions will be on HF SSB and CW and VHF FM. They will also be activating Aves de Sotavento lighthouse (Admiralty reference J-6491, WW Loc. FK62DB). QSL via DL3AMA. Also check the info at QRZ.com for YW5AS. [DE0MST]

28/08/2007: Look for Tomas, VK2CCC (LY1F), to be active as 3D2MT between August 28th and September 4th. Activity will be on 80-17 metres, mainly CW and an entry in the All Asia DX Contest. QSL via the LoTW or via LY1F. Visit his Web page at: www.qrz.lt/ly1df [OPDX]

31/08/2007: Geza, HA4XG will be on family holidays to Greece between August 31st and September 14th. First they will be on Corfu (Kerkyra) Island (EU-052, MIA MG-055, WLOTA LH-4132, WW Loc. JM99WR) from August 31st to September 6th. Geza will be operating on HF+6m+2m as J48XG and SV8/HA4XG. He wants to seek the best position on 2m, so he can possibly work from his car. He

will participate in the IARU VHF Contest (September 1-2nd) and will also work some MS. From September 7th to 14th they will move to Amaliapoli (WW Loc. KM19KE) in Thessalia, near Volos. The call signs will be J44XG and SV4/HA4XG on HF+6m+2m. There are good possibilities to plant many antennas on the flat roof. In morning and evening (local) time we can catch him on CW and 2m MS (363 1st random only). The rig are IC-746 DunaX verticals, preamp on 2m, and 10 el. DK7ZB Yagi. QSL via Hungarian QSL bureau or direct to his QRZ.COM address. [HA0HW]

31/08/2007: Nobi, JA1JCF will be going to Horn Island (OC-138) in Queensland, Australia, August 31st to September 2nd. The call sign will be VK4JCF. QSL via the JARL bureau or direct. Cards should not be sent to the VK bureau. This activation is not very certain. There may be unknown local difficulties at the planned QTH. Operating time will be limited because of sightseeing. CW mode on 30/20/17m bands will be used, if he is QRV. [JA1JCF]

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LOOKING AHEAD

01/09/2007: Niko, DD1MAT will be active September 1-15th as 9A/DD1MAT from Dugi Otok (Island) (EU-170, ACIA CI-367, CIA-10, IOCA CI-018, MIA MC-074, WLOTA LH-2375). Look for activity around the usual IOTA and island frequencies. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

08/09/2007: Fran?ois, ON4LO will be active September 8-28th as 9A/ON4LO from Losinj Island (EU-136, ACIA IC-116, CIA-25, IOCA CI-058, MIA MC-204, WLOTA LH-4295). Activity will mainly be on 10/15/20m SSB, VHF and 6m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [RSGB IOTA]

08/09/2007: Chris, GM0TQJ will be active from East Falkland (SA-002) as VP8CXV, in his spare time, between September 8, 2007 and January 15, 2008. Activity will be mainly SSB, but with some RTTY and PSK31. QSL via home call. [RSGB IOTA]

09/09/2007: Look for Ruda/OK1HWS, Honza/OK1JK, Jiri/OK1JST and Vlasta/OK1UXH to be signing 9A/homecall from Porer Island (EU-110, ACIA IC-46, CIA-35, IOCA CI-090, MIA MC-313, WLOTA LH-0240) from September 9-14th. They plan to be QRV on 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres, using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL all calls via OK1JST. [F5NQL]

22/09/2007: The section NOK takes part during the weekend of September 22 and 23 in the commemoration of the release of the Polar Bears, suffered 63 years now. The amateur radio operators will be active, especially on 40m, using the special call ON63POL. QSL via ON3CYV. [UBA HF News]

24/09/2007: Members of BAFARA (Belgian Air Force Amateur Radio Association) will be QRV from September 24-30th with the special call ON 47 FOUGA on all bands all modes, to commemorate the last flight of the Fouga Magister in Belgium and its 47 years of service. The last flight will take place September 26th. A special QSL card will be printed for this event. QSL via ON6KN or via the bureau. If you send direct, send an SAE with enough return postage. [ON6KN]

24/09/2007: Operators AA7JV, VK2NU and HA7RY will be active September 24th to October 4th as VK9WWI from Willis Island (OC-007). They will be active on all HF bands, with emphasis on 160m and 80m at night. Other bands during the daylight. No modes indicated. QSL via operator's instructions. [F5NQL]

26/09/2007: Sigi, DL7DF and Crew will be signing 9U0A from Burundi, East Africa, between September 26th (evening local time) to October 9th (noon local time). Operators mentioned are Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF and XYL Sabine, Jan/DL7UFN, Frank/DL7UFR and Leszek/SP3DOI. They will be active in all modes and on all bands, with special emphasis on the low bands and digital modes. An online log will be available and updated during the DXpedition. Pilot for this DXpedition is Bernd, DF3CB. The QSL route is via DL7DF either direct (Sigi Presch DL7DF, Wilhelmsmuehlenweg 123, D-12621 Berlin, Germany) or via the German QSL bureau DARC to DL7DF. Further information can be found at: www.dl7df.com/9u/index.html [NG3K]

07/10/2007: Look for Helmut, OE1MHL to be active October 7-12th as IC8/OE1MHL from the island of Ischia (EU-031, IIA NA-001, MIA MI-042, WLOTA LH-0689). He will be operating holiday style

on all bands, from 0500 - 0900 UTC and from 1700 - 2000 UTC. QSL via home call. [RSGB IOTA]

23/10/2007: Operators Frank/WA2VYA, Ken/K2WB, Tony/W2WAS and Jack/N2VW will be signing VP5/homecalls from Provo Island (NA-002) between October 23-30th, CQ WW DX SSB Contest included (October 27-28th) using the call sign VP5T. Before and after the contest they will be QRV on the WARC bands, mainly CW. QSL via the operators home call. QSL VP5T via N2VW direct or bureau. [NG3K]

27/10/2007: Operators Donovan/ZS2DL, Rhy/ZS6DXB and Daniel/ZS6JR will be active from Swaziland as 3DA0WW during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via ZS6DXB. Further info can be found at www.zs6dxb.bravehost.com/ and also on QRZ.com. [NG3K]

01/06/2008: Just to inform that it's still in an early stage of planning but a team has been assembled! The Isle of Rockall (EU-189) will be an Island On The Air for a couple of days in June, 2008. Colin/MM0NDX started with the idea just recently! For more details and info, check the website at: eu189.bravehost.com/ . At the moment the Team consist of Niko/DD1MAT, Christian/EC3ADC, George/EC2ADN and Colin/MM0NDX. Any more takers? :-) [4X4-2238]

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SPECIAL EVENTS

23/08/2007: Special event station 8S3SYL will be active August 23-26th during the Scandinavian Young Ladies Radio Amateurs (SYLRA) meeting in ?stersund, Sweden. QSL via SM3CVM, direct or (preferably) bureau. Full information about the meeting can be found at www.sylra.se/_sgg/f10000.htm [425 DX News]

26/08/2007: The Vintage Radio Museum in Howth, EI0MAR, will be celebrating the IRTS's 75th birthday by using the call sign EI75IRTS on August 26th and on the first two Sundays in September. CW will be the main mode of operation although some CQ calls will also be made on SSB as well. If conditions are favourable, the 7 MHz band will be the main focus, to allow as many EIs as possible to work the special call sign. The station may also be QRV on the Saturdays of the same weekends. QSL via QRZ.com. [Southgate ARC]

27/08/2007: Look for special event station TC25SG to be on the air again between August 27-30th, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the foundation of Turkish Coast Guard Command (Sahil Guvenlik). Look for Leonardo/TA1FR, Tevfik/TA1HZ and Bekir/TA2RX to be the operators and to be active from some part of the Marmara Straits Area Command's Coast Guard vessels. Activity will be on 40/20/17 metre SSB. Detailed info is available on QRZ.com. QSL direct via TA1HZ or via TA QSL Bureau. [OPDX]

31/08/2007: The Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communication/QSL Collection will activate the unique call sign OE16B between August 31st and September 9th. This special event station is on the air to celebrate the Papal visit of Bendedikt XVI to Austria. QSL only direct via: ORF/OE16B, A-1136 Wien, Austria. This is a charity operation for the El Molo Mission and School in Kenya. Therefore, the special QSL will only be issued for a donation (at least 1 new IRC or 1 USD). All other reports will be answered with a plain QSL via the Bureau. [OPDX]

U.S.A. Special events can be found at: www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

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LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVATIONS -

19/08-02/09 K9W: Wake WLOTA:2293 QSL W4CK (QRZ.com)

24/08-02/09 9A/IK5WWA: Solta Island WLOTA:2833 QSL H/C (d/b)

25/08-26/08 EG3MED: Islas Medas ARLHS:SPA-161, WLH:EA-012, WLOTA:0793 QSL EA3GM (d/b)

25/08-01/09 ID9/IK8HJC: Isola Vulcano WLOTA:1001 QSL H/C (d/b)

26/08-08/09 OZ/DF8HS: Samsoe WLOTA:0726 QSL H/C (d/b)

26/08-24/09 YB9/PA0RRS: Bali WLOTA:2589 QSL H/C (QRZ.com)

27/08-29/08 DJ5MS/P: Helgoland WLOTA:0518 QSL H/C (d/b)

31/08-06/09 J48XG: Nisos Kerkyra WLOTA:4132 QSL HA4XG (d/b)

31/08-06/09 SV8/HA4XG: Nisos Kerkyra WLOTA:4132 QSL HA4XG (d/b)
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U.S. COUNTIES - USA-CA

24/08/2007: Don, W0EAR/m will run a short Wisconsin trip between September 24th and 26th. He plans to run the following U.S. counties - 1800z 8/24/07 MN: Hennepin, Anoka, Chisago, Isanti and Pine; WI: Burnett. He will leave at about 1330z 8/25/07 and run WI: Burnett, Washburn, Sawyer and Ashland. On 8/26/07 late afternoon he will run WI: Burnett, Douglas, Polk and St. Croix; MN: Washington and Ramsey. Look for him on 20, 30 and 40 metre SSB and CW. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

26/08/2007: Ronald, KB6UF/m will be active September 26th, SSB and CW from the following counties in the State of Louisianna: 1300z Iberville, St. Martin, Laffatte, St. Landry, Evangline, Avoylles, Rapides, Vernon, Sabine, Beauregard, Allen, Jefferson Davis, Calcasicu, Cameron, Vermillion, Acadia, Iberia, St. Mary, Assumption, Terrebonne, La Fourche, St. James and Ascesion. He will run 20 SSB, 40 SSB, 20 CW in that order, if busy will move up the band. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ
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